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By Mr. Curtiss of Sheffield, petition of Sidney Q. Curtiss that cities and towns be provided with financial assistance for the acquisition and preparation of land for sanitary land fill purposes to alleviate dumping problems. Natural Resources and Agriculture.

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## **The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Seventy-Two.

AN ACT PROVIDING FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO CITIES AND TOWNS FOR THEIR ACQUISITION AND PREPARATION OF LAND FOR SANITARY LAND FILL PURPOSES TO ALLEVIATE A SERIOUS DUMPING PROBLEM.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:*

1 Chapter 111 of the General Laws is hereby amended by  
2 inserting after section 150A the following section: —

3 *Section 150B.* Every city and town shall be entitled to  
4 reimbursement from the commonwealth in a sum equal to fifty  
5 per cent of its cost for the acquisition and preparation of land  
6 for sanitary land fill purposes if a serious dumping problem  
7 exists in such city or town.

8 Application for reimbursement shall be made to the depart-  
9 ment, accompanied by plans and estimates together with such  
10 additional information as the department may require. The  
11 department may, if it is satisfied that such a problem exists,  
12 that the plans so submitted are satisfactory with respect to site  
13 type and adequacy for a proposed land fill dump site, is in the  
14 best interest of the respective city or town and the expenses so  
15 incurred are reasonable, certify to the comptroller the pay-  
16 ment to such city or town a sum equal to fifty per cent of the  
17 cost so incurred, and the state treasurer shall forthwith make  
18 the payment so certified from any funds appropriated therefor.

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The Commission on the Administration of Justice has been directed by the House of Representatives to study and report on the organization and operation of the Federal courts and the judicial system generally. It has held numerous public hearings and has received many suggestions from judges, lawyers, laymen, and the public.

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in the Year 1950 - Report of the Commission

The Commission has found that the Federal courts are overburdened with work, that the delay in the trial of cases is excessive, and that the expense of litigation is too high. It has therefore recommended that the Federal courts be reorganized and that the Supreme Court be reconstituted.

It is recommended that the Federal courts be reorganized so that the work of the Supreme Court, the Federal District courts, and the Federal Circuit courts be separated. It is also recommended that the Supreme Court be reconstituted to consist of five members.

Chapter III of the Report sets forth the recommendations for the reorganization of the Federal courts.

Chapter IV of the Report sets forth the recommendations for the reconstitution of the Supreme Court. It is recommended that the Supreme Court be reconstituted to consist of five members, three of whom shall be appointed by the President and two by the Senate.

The Commission believes that these recommendations will result in a more efficient and economical Federal judiciary. It is hoped that the House of Representatives will take prompt action upon these recommendations. The Commission is grateful to the many individuals and organizations that have assisted it in its work.